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1. CHAMBER OF MINES HAS ANNOUNCED DECISION TO RAISE MINIMUM
WAGES FOR BEGINNING BLACK COAL MINERS IN TRANSVAAL AND ORANGE
FREE STATE FROM PRESENT LEVELS RANGING FROM 72 TO 90 PER CHIFT TO
STANDARD 120 CENTS (OR R31.20 PER 26 SHIFT MONTH PLUS ROUGHLY
EQUAL AMOUNT IN ALLOWANCES). EXPECTATION IE THAT DECISION WILL
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PROMPT EMPLOYERS TO GRANT EQUIVALENT INCREASES TO MORE EXPERIENCED

BLACK MINERS MANY OF WHOM ARE ALREADY RECEIVING CONSIDERABLY MORE
THAN NEW MINIMUM. SOUTH AFRICA HAS TOTAL OF ABOUT 70,000 BLACK
COAL MINERS.

2. CONCERN IN WAKE OF RECENT INFLATIONARY 25 PERCENT INCREASE IN
PRICE OF STEEL IS THAT JUST-ANNOUNCED INCREASES SET STAGE FOR
SUBSTANTIAL INCREASE IN PITHEAD PRICE OF COAL.
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